

Public Notice - Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on the draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the filling of wetlands and stream channel in Chesterfield County.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: July 28, 2016 to 5:00 p.m. on August 29, 2016

PERMIT NAME: Virginia Water Protection Individual Permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality, under the authority of the State Water Control Board.

NAME, ADDRESS, AND PERMIT NUMBER OF APPLICANT: East-West Hallsley, LLC, 14700 Village Square Place, Midlothian, Virginia 23112

PERMIT NUMBER: 04-1215

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: East-West Hallsley, LLC has applied for a major modification to VWP Permit #04-1215 for the Hallsley residential subdivision located in Chesterfield County, Virginia. The project is located on Old Hundred Road, in the Hallsboro area. New impacts resulting from the project expansion include permanent impacts to no more than 0.031 acre to forested wetlands and 118 linear feet (0.01 acres) of stream channel, conversion impacts to no more than 0.166 acres of forested wetland to emergent wetland, and temporary impacts to 28 linear feet (0.004 acres) of stream bed. Together with previously authorized impact areas, the project will now permanently impact 1.452 acres of forested wetlands, and 2,184 linear feet of stream bed, permanently convert 0.797 acre of forested wetlands to emergent wetlands and temporarily impact 0.028 acres of forested wetlands and 501 linear feet of stream bed. Compensation for new permanent impacts to forested wetlands and new permanent conversion impacts shall be provided at a replacement to loss ratio of 2:1 and 1:1, respectively, through the purchase of no less than 0.228 wetland mitigation credits; compensation for new permanent impacts to stream bed shall be provided through the purchase of no less than 121 USM stream mitigation credits. Previous impacts have been compensated through the purchase of 3.479 wetland mitigation credits and 155 stream mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank, the onsite relocation of 593 linear feet of stream channel, and the preservation of 21,997 linear feet of stream channel with 119.33 acres of buffer outside the Resource Protection Area. Temporary impacts to surface waters will be restored to pre-existing conditions. The DEQ's preliminary decision is to approve the permit.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requester, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Jean Bradford; Virginia Dept. of Environmental Quality, Piedmont Regional Office, 4949-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia, 23060; Tel: (804) 527-5025; jean.bradford@deq.virginia.gov; Fax: (804) 527-5106. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above.